

The Moses Seymour Marsh Store
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THE MOSES SEYMOUR MARSH STORE
POMPEY, ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

OWNER: James Brennan
Pompey, N.Y.

OCCUPANT: James Brennan, owner

DATE OF ERECTION: 1837

ARCHITECT: Unknown

BUILDER: Unknown

PRESENT CONDITION: The building is in good state of repair, it having been reconstructed after a fire, which destroyed the roof and upper floor, and a wing in 1880. A new sheet metal on frame rear addition was recently added to the rear. The front porch was added about 1900. The interior chimney was probably built after the fire, and at that time the south 8" x 8" beam supporting the second floor joists was cut. It is now used as one of the posts in the basement.

NUMBER OF STORIES: There is a basement, two full stories and a low attic.

MATERIALS OF CONSTRUCTION: The exterior walls are local stone, with dressed stone lintels and sills. The front arched entrance is brick. The old chimney on the rear above the attic was local brick. The walls from the first floor level to the roof plate have two inch plank imbedded in the masonry. This only on the side walls. The first floor is furred and plastered on split lath. All trim and flooring material is white pine. The present sash are replacements of former smaller light sash. The muntins in the entrance doors are shown as originally. There is a new hard wood floor on the first floor laid over the old underfloor. First floor ceiling joists and beams are beaded. Sheet six of the drawings shows the old winch wheel as well as the new winch put in about 1880. Cornice and roof metal.

OTHER EXISTING RECORDS:

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ADDITIONAL DATA:

The coal bin in the basement was built about the time of the modern porch. The rear basement window in the south wall and the opening to the cellar under the rear addition, and the first floor window in the south wall are all later changes. A new tight hard wood floor has been laid over the old first floor. The entire interior of the first floor is furred, lathed with split lath and plastered. All beams and ceiling joists on this floor are beaded. The interior here is painted white. Modern shelves line the walls. The walls of floors above are left unfinished, though they were originally intended for lath and plaster. The second floor is used for storage of hardware and farm implements the attic, to which access is had by ladder is also used for storage. There is a small skylight in the roof.

The following information is furnished by W. J. Oley of Pompey who is the local historian.

The site was owned in 1816 by Henry Seymour. Here he conducted a general store until 1819 when he removed to Utica, N.Y. Moses Seymour Marsh, was his clerk. He purchased the property and erected the present building in 1827. It was later transferred to Horace Wheaton, then in 1846-7 to Captain J. Taylor who owned it until 1880, at the time of the fire. It was known during the Re-Union of Pompey as the Stone Store. J.V. Butts bought the property in April 1880. Fred Butts became owner in December 9, 1907. In July 1, 1920 Peter James Brennan the present owner took title.

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